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20 Years of Progress in Processing Nuclear Waste

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Waste Management & Cleanup Decisionmakers' Forum

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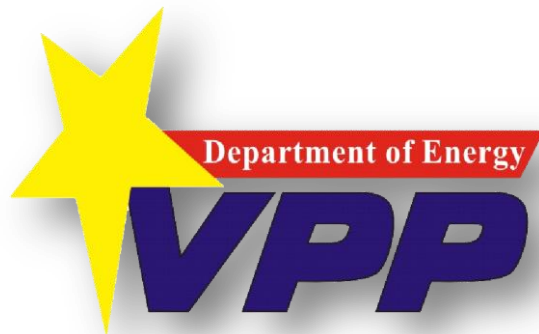


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Enhancing a Strong Safety Culture



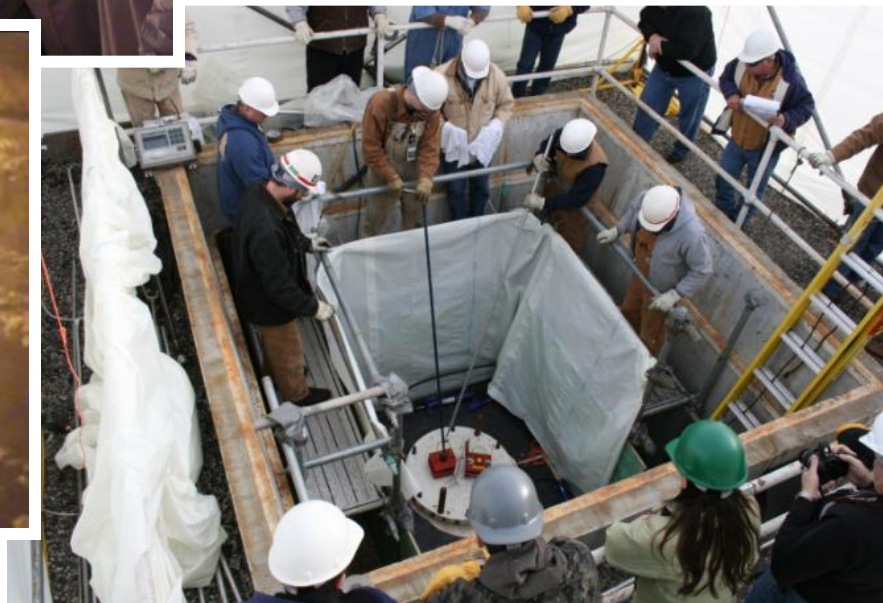
- Total Recordable Case Rate nearly 50% lower than FY-08
- DART Case Rate > 60% lower
- Improving program for worker protection from tank vapors
- Integrated Safety Management System Phase 1&2 verifications completed
- Working toward VPP Star status for the entire organization in FY 2010



Retrieval Progress Continues



- Completed C-110 retrieval to limits of technology
- Completed construction work for C-104 retrieval; to begin in October
- Mobilized C-111 construction forces for equipment removal
- Completed removal of legacy hose-in-hose transfer lines

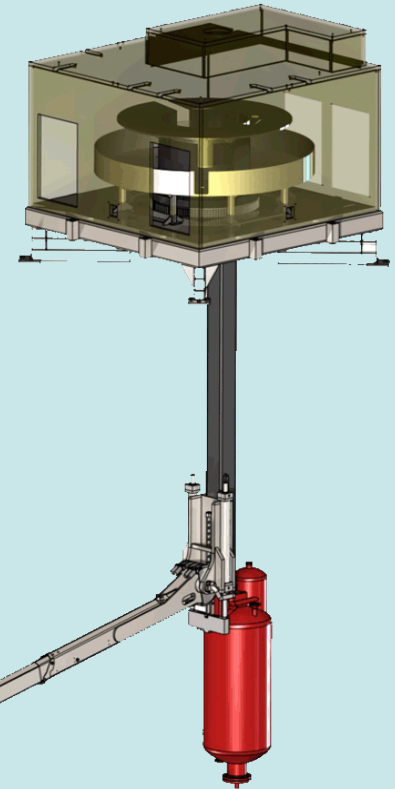
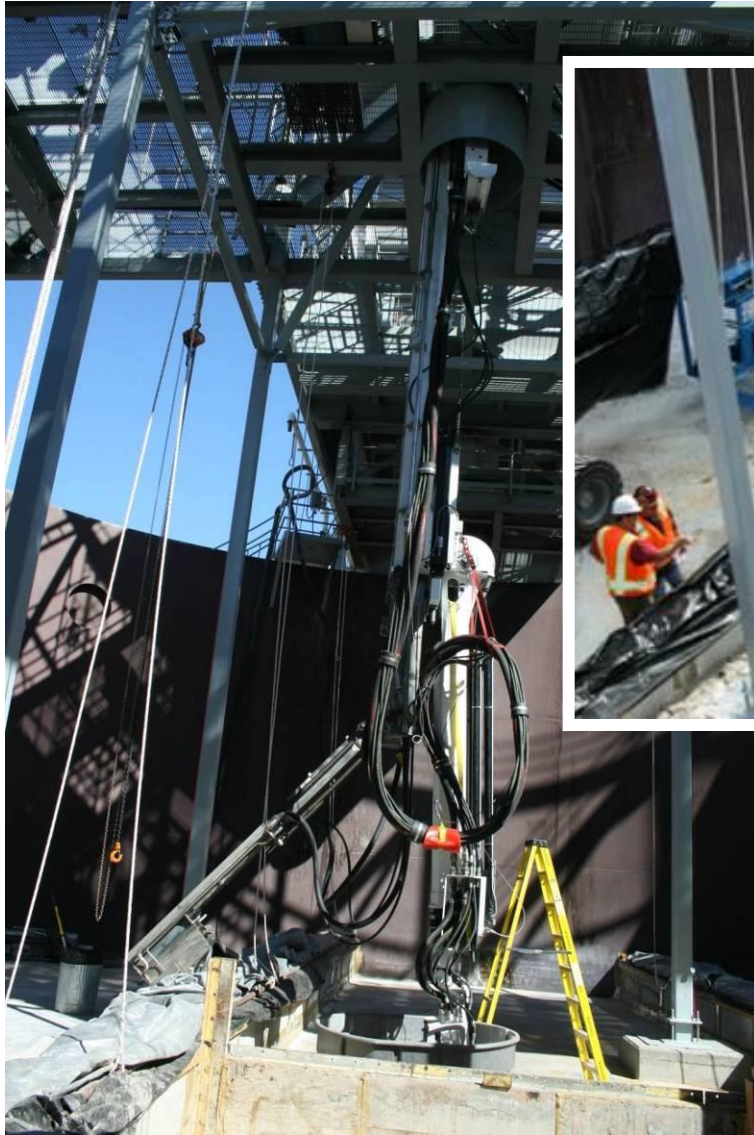


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Mobile Arm Retrieval System Aims to Improve Retrieval Efficiency



Completed design, procurement and initial testing of Mobile Arm Retrieval System (MARS)



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Single-Shell Tank Integrity Program Established



- Panel of nationally recognized experts
- Review information and programs regarding single-shell tanks
- Recommend enhancements to support the extension of the operational life of the single-shell tanks



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Waste Management Focuses on Retrieval Support, Facility Upgrades



- Double-shell tank (DST) space management
 - Three evaporator campaigns; ~900,000 gallons of liquid removed
 - Series of waste transfers to support retrieval
- Facility upgrades
 - 222-S Laboratory
 - 242-A Evaporator
- Wiped Film Evaporator

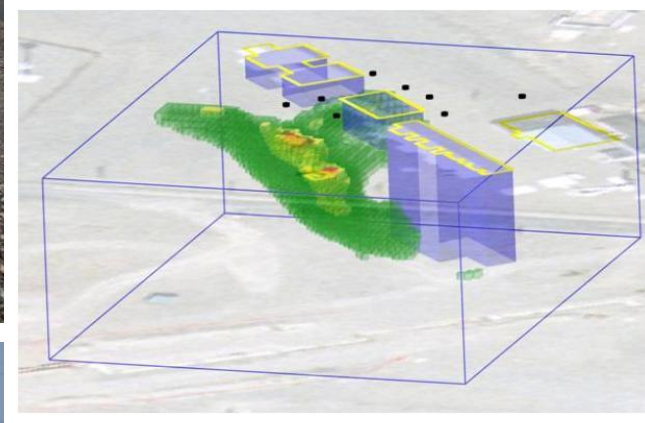


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Surface and Vadose Zone Characterization Aids in Barrier Development



- Completed Near-Surface Characterization for New Barrier Site in SX-Farm
- Completed Direct Push Sampling in C-Farm
- Completed design of TY-Farm Surface Barrier



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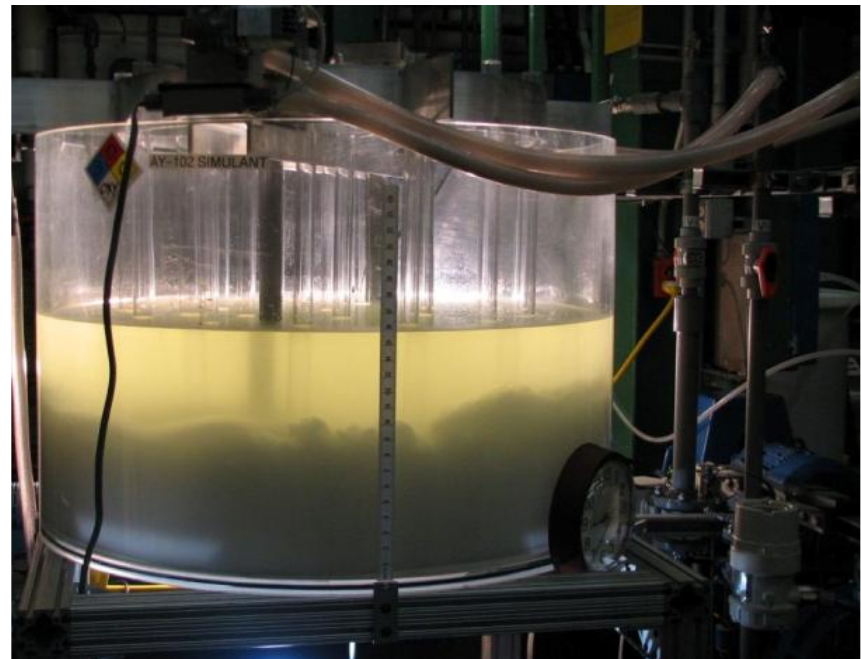
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Waste Treatment Plant Support a Key Focus



- Updated River Protection Project System Plan
- Performed waste feed delivery mixing and sampling demonstrations
- Preparing for accelerated turnover of some WTP plant facilities



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Recovery Act to Help Prepare to Feed WTP



- Tank Farm, Waste Feed & Other Infrastructure Upgrades
- Facility Upgrades
 - Transfer Line Upgrades
 - \$323 Million



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Leveraging Parent Company Experience

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- National, international high-level waste experience
 - Developing regulatory strategies to execute EM tank waste mission
 - URS advancing the maturity of needed technologies
 - Best and brightest international talent



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